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# **IRIS**

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When the sun shines through your iris blooms you will see in many of them worlds of jewels, like millions of tiny diamonds set in transparent leaf gold.

Each iris season brings with it new and better creations. One of the greatest thrills of life is to grow a new iris like no one else has ever grown.

Try pollenizing

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**W. E. TAYLOR**

**Amity Gardens**

**Amity. - Oregon**

**Box 43**

We wish to thank our many friends for their patronage during the past, and hope that we may be of service in the future. Our aim is to send only strong, healthy plants and to meet all reasonable competition.

Many of the new varieties are wonderful creations, masterpieces of the highest type, and we commend them to your attention.

In obtaining our collection, we have endeavored to select the most attractive iris from hundreds of fine kinds, and feel sure our selection affords a good range of color from which our patrons can secure a satisfactory collection with which to beautify their home gardens and grounds. With every order we send out we will send a folder, "About Iris," which gives some helpful hints about the care and propagation of Iris, and also about combating some of the pests which bother us by destroying much of what we work very hard to grow. We will be glad to send our price list to any address on request.



## THE NEW IRIS SOUTHERN PACIFIC

From its first appearance in our gardens, this beautiful iris has been a strong, and very vigorous growing plant, with leaves tall, smooth and strong, and with tall strong stems well branched. The huge blooms are well placed, and many reach a spread of nine inches. Both standards and falls are inclined to curve and have a slight ruffle around the edges. The standards have a strong midrib and stand straight and almost closed. The falls are semi-flaring, drooping enough at the outer edges to give the bloom a very artistic appearance. Texture firm. Color, a soft shade of rich lavender blue and has a delicate pinkish glow throughout under certain lights, with a light area through the center, and the falls are penciled, darker through the haft. The beard is orange at the base, shading to lighter at the outer end. Blooms open two to four at a time on a stem. The plants have withstood freezing weather, wind and rain storms as well or better than other large iris under same conditions. Blooming period around thirty days. This is a gracious addition to the iris family, and gives a full measure of beauty and size and a soft pleasing pacific tone.

32 inches. Late bloomer.

Each \$5.00



## THE NEW IRIS SO BIG TEXAS

This lovely Iris is a soft lavender blue, strong grower, large well-formed blooms, and is similar to Southern Pacific, but many think it a better iris. It has good foliage and strong stems and the huge blooms are well placed.

The standards are almost closed and falls are semi flaring and slightly curved which give the blooms an artistic appearance.

Just another lovely addition to the large lavender blue kind.

Only 1 to a customer

\$8.00



Working among your flowers at least a little each day, not enough to tire but just enough for good exercise and sunshine, is a splendid way to maintain robust health, and among your flowers you should have a lot of iris. They are easy to grow, and are one of the most satisfactory flowers.

Iris time again brings joy to all flower lovers and we all like to get out our old hoes and dig in the good earth. We presume that you are a confirmed gardener and that you want the best of everything to beautify your home and garden, and with that in view we have selected for our sales stock the best and most attractive iris we could find among hundreds of fine varieties.

There is nothing a gardener loves more than his or her own flowers and we know that every iris lover gets more out of life than many other hobby gardeners, so we want you to look over this list carefully and see if there isn't something therein that you can use to further beautify your garden and home.

In this list you will find colors ranging from the deep purple WINNESHIEK to the lovely light blue GREAT LAKES, and from the golden yellow GOLDEN HIND to the soft creamy white ARCTIC, and from the coppery bronze GRAND CANYON, to the soft tan or buff FARWEST.

There are colors and shades to suit every one's taste and also prices to suit the pocket book, and the beauty of the flower is not regulated by the price of the plant, for many of the more moderately priced iris are as beautiful as many of the more expensive ones,

We do not attempt to compete with expensive catalogs for our price list is plain, but we try to offer plants and prices that compare favorably with those of other growers. We will meet all reasonable competition in prices.

We have arranged some very attractive collection bargains for you that will save you money and at the same time give you some fine iris for your garden.

In making up your order please confine your selection as outlined by our group arrangement.



### **SHIPPING TIME**

Iris may be reset in June, July, August or September. We recommend, however, that orders be sent as early as possible as it is a decided advantage to get the plants in early so that they will be well established by winter and will be more sure to give satisfactory blooms the following season. We pack our iris in excelsior and ship only strong vigorous plants and consider them out of our control after the shipment is delivered to the transportation agency here, but will be glad to be advised if they do not reach you in good condition. However, we cannot guarantee any iris to live or grow under conditions over which we have no control.



### **TERMS**

Cash to accompany all orders; checks, money orders, or currency will be acceptable, but we recommend that all letters containing currency be registered. All orders must be for one dollar or over, and all orders are received subject to prior sale or to conditions and circumstances existing when orders are received. We ship by parcel post. We pay postal charges to all points within the United States.

Please write or print your name and address plainly.

P.S. Should you find an extra included in your order, don't be surprised. Just plant it and watch it bloom.

**AMITY GARDENS, BOX 43, AMITY, OREGON**

- AMITOLA** ..... Ea. 35c. 3 for \$1.00  
Huge dusty pink and rose blend of fine quality, excellent blooms with golden russet center.
- ANAKIM** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Large lavender blue, strong grower and a good propagator, lovely blooms, excellent form.
- ARCTIC** ..... Ea. \$2.00 3 for \$5.60  
Large fine white, ruffled with broad falls and closed standards, wonderful snow white of delightful effect. One of the finest.
- AZTEC COPPER** ..... Ea. \$2.00 3 for \$5.60  
A copper violet blend of rare beauty and charm, nothing just like it, large blooms, fine texture, splendid effect, one of the very best of the copper bronzes yet produced.
- BALDWIN** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Manganese violet and heliotrope. purplish effect. Strong grower and an unusual flower.
- BIRCHBARK** ..... Ea. 75c 3 for \$2.00  
Lovely creamy white, large blooms, good texture and splendid form.
- BLACK WINGS** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Very dark purple, almost black, fine texture, black velvety finish.
- BLUE VELVET** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Wonderful deep velvety purple. Excellent fascinating sheen, large blooms on strong stems. One of the loveliest deep blues.
- BUECHLEYS GIANT** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Huge clear lavender blue, of fine quality. Tall, strong, and majestic. One of the really splendid giants in iris.
- BURNING BRONZE** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Reddish bronze and purple. Very striking coppery tone, good texture, fine form, and attractive appearance.
- BUTO** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Dark purple, fine velvety texture, good form, and likable.
- CALIFORNIA GOLD** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Golden yellow. Large fine flower of excellent quality. One of the best yellows.
- CHINA MAID** ..... Ea. \$1.00 3 for \$2.70  
Glorious pink blend of the very finest quality. Fine texture, good blooms, pleasing tone.
- COLUMBINE** ..... Ea. 25c 3 for 60c  
Clear pure white, slightly ruffled. A masterpiece of perfect form and fine texture. Low growing.
- COPPER LUSTRE** ..... Ea. 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Pinkish tan, blending into copper and gold. One of the finest coppery kinds. Fine texture, good blooms on medium tall, strong stems. An unusual flower.

**ALL ROADS LEAD TO HOME**

- DAUNTLESS** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Reddish purple. Large blooms well placed on tall strong stems.
- DIRECTEUR PINELLE** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Maroon purple with undertone of bronze, large blooms on well branched stems and strong grower.
- EASTER MORN** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Almost pure white, slight creamy tint, beautifully domed standards, large flaring falls, vivid orange beards.
- EL CAPITAN** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Large lavender blue, tall strong stems, blooms of beautiful tone, well placed.
- ELEANOR ROOSEVELT** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Dark violet purple, very silky and exquisite and one of the exceptional fine fall bloomers.
- EL MOHR** ..... Each \$6.00  
 Rich red velvet. Huge blooms on tall strong stems. We believe this is the best seedling that has been introduced from the iris Wm. Mohr. It is outstanding in color, shape, size and loveliness and is one of the most attractive flowers in the garden.
- ETHELWYN DUBUAR** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Lovely soft pink. Has the tone of lovely orchid. One of the finest and most beautiful pinks.
- ETHIOP QUEEN** ..... Each 50c  
 Deep black. One of the nearest to black iris yet produced. Standards deep blackish violet and falls velvety black with glistening sheen.
- FAR WEST** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
 Wonderful blend of salmon, gold, coral and henna: large blooms with golden glow through the heart and deep orange beard.
- FRIEDA MOHR** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Fine tall pink. Large blooms well placed. A strong grower.
- GLORIOLE** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
 Fine blue, large blooms well placed on strong stems, good bloomer.
- GLOWPORT** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
 Wine red, attractive glow through the heart, bronze yellow beard. A rich red of charm and merit.
- GOLDEN HARVEST** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Very rich pleasing yellow, bluish tint at base of falls and standards, large blooms on short stems, and is one of the few reasonable priced fall bloomers.
- GOLDEN LIGHT** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 An orange buff bloom, beautifully ruffled, on tall graceful stems. Good for cutting.
- GOLDEN HIND** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
 Rich golden buttercup yellow, good form, vivid orange beard. A great golden.
- GRAND CANYON** ..... Each \$3.00 3 for \$8.25  
 Deep blend of gold and copper, striking, beautiful tone, blooms very large. It is different from all other iris.

- GREAT LAKES** ..... Each \$2.00 3 for \$5.60  
Clear blue self of exceptional merit, tall, graceful, grand. Considered one of the most perfect iris yet produced. Has a high rating.
- GUDRUN** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Soft creamy white, lovely blooms, good form, fine texture. One of the really fine whites.
- HAPPY DAYS** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Light yellow, strong grower, soft smooth tone, very fine.
- ICY BLUE** ..... Each \$2.00  
Lovely light blue, almost white, closed standards and flaring falls. Immense blooms on tall sturdy stems. Its name is very appropriate for it has a clear icy appearance that makes it one of the most attractive flowers in our collection and attracts an unusual amount of attention. It is one of the best iris yet introduced.
- ITASCA** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Deep purple, fine silky texture. A rich purple of great merit. This one is an exceptional beauty.
- JEAN CAYEUX** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Soft light buff self, splendid form and texture and a most unusual color of rare beauty.
- JERRY** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Standards soft pinkish tan, falls deep purplish red, deep in color, splendid in form and one of the best reds.
- JUNALUSKA** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Blend of red copper rose and gold, early lovely blooms on tall graceful stems, really fine.
- KALINGA** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Warm cream, large soft tone blooms, lots of fine flowers. Very pleasing.
- LADY PARAMOUNT** ..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Primrose yellow, Fine soft texture, large well placed blooms on good stems.
- LEGEND** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Lavender blue and rich claret. Large blooms.
- LOS ANGELES** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
White placata, with edging of lavender blue. Splendidly penciled. Flowers large, on tall graceful stems. Very popular.
- MARCO POLO** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Bright rose and crimson. Flowers vivid and strikingly beautiful.
- MARTIE EVEREST** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Soft clear lavender blue. Lovely tone. Fine blooms. Good grower. Fall bloomer. Very desirable.
- MARY GEDDIS** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Salmon orange, deeper toned falls, good blooms, well placed.
- MARY SENNI** ..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
A mauve blended with ashes of roses, a delightful combination, very large blooms on medium stems.
- MISS CALIFORNIA** ..... Each 50c 3 for \$1.35  
Tail lilac pink. Large blooms, very graceful. One of the most satisfying lovely pinks.
- MOHRSON** ..... Each 50c 3 for \$1.35  
Huge deep violet seedling from the famous iris William Mohr. Blooms are of exceptional beauty and size. One of the outstanding late introductions.

## IRIS, THE GARDENERS JOY



**MONADNOCK**..... Each \$1.50 3 for \$4.20  
Rose red. Large attractive blooms, of good form and texture. One of the best in new iris.

**MOUNTAIN SUNSET**..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Old gold and fawn suffused with varying shades of violet. Large blooms, of fine tone and splendid form

**MRS. VALERIE WEST**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Standards of lightest tan slightly suffused with reddish tint, falls deep purplish red, velvety and firm texture. Blooms are large on tall well branched stems.

**NARANJA**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Deep orange. Unusual in color scheme. Lovely in effect, and very attractive.

**OREGON GIANT**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Lovely violet purple and mauve gray, large well shaped blooms on good stalks. A good late bloomer.

**ORMOHR**..... Each \$1.50 3 for \$4.20  
Pale lilac. A huge seedling from the iris William Mohr, and one of the unusual colors of that strain of iris. Lovely blooms on strong stems. Strong grower of merit.

**PERSIA**..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Grayish lavender and rich purple. One of outstanding merit, of good form, fine texture, and soft tone.

**PRESIDENT PILKINGTON**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Fine mauve, lovely tone, strong grower

**RAMESES**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Standards very light buff shading to delicate rose pink at the top; falls rose pink changing to yellow through the haft. Beard deep yellow.

**RED DOMINION**..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Standard deep red, falls deep purplish red, velvety and of good texture. One of the fine reds.

**SACRAMENTO**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Creamy white ground with a very dainty edge of lavender. This edging gives it a very artistic appearance and makes an unusual bloom liked by everyone.

**SANDALWOOD**..... Each 35c 3 for \$1.00  
Soft fawn brown and salmon blended with mauve and tan, A lovely tone, fine blooms, and very satisfactory. One of the best soft tans.

**SANTA BARBARA**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Lavender blue, light soft tone, nice blooms, medium tall, beautiful in form.

**SAN DIEGO**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Deep lavender blue, rich in color, and a profuse bloomer. One of the loveliest of the deep purplish lavenders.

**SAN FRANCISCO**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Tall lovely white placata, edged lavender blue.

**FILL YOUR VASES WITH IRIS BLOOMS**

**SEADEEP**..... Each 50c 3 for \$1.40  
 Deep blue bicolor. Standards sea blue, falls darker blue. A profuse bloomer, and one of the best blues of the late introductions.

**SENSATION**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 A clear blue, large well shaped blooms on tall splendid stems. It is one of the most attractive blues.

**SHAH JEHAN**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Buff and purple. Standards buff slightly edged lavender, falls chestnut brown merging into lavender, beard rich orange.

**SIEGFRIED**..... Each 50c 3 for \$1.35  
 Pale sulphur yellow; penciled and dotted with purple, a placata of unusual merit.

**SIERRA BLUE**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Soft clear blue of immense size, very showy and rivals all others in size and color, tall, graceful and attractive.

**SNOW KING**..... Each 35c 3 for 90c  
 Pure white, large waxen blooms of good form and texture. One of the loveliest whites.

**SO BIG TEXAS**..... Each \$8.00  
 Lovely large lavender blue. Huge blooms of softer tone than the ordinary large iris of this color. Well placed on strong stems. Standards almost closed. Falls have artistic curves and are semi-flaring. A fine addition to the iris family, Only one to each customer.

**SOUTHERN PACIFIC**..... Each \$5.00  
 Huge lavender blue, soft tone, splendid texture and form, a rare beauty, See description inside front cover.

**SOUTHLAND**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Golden yellow, lovely rich tone and a good fall bloomer.

**SPOKAN**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Deep chestnut red suffused throughout with copper, golden glow through center, of good form and texture and pleasing tone.

**TAPESTRY**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Lovely soft violet red standard, falls deeply colored, shaping to lighter at the edges, rich yellow beard, immense blooms of good form and splendid texture.

**THE BLACK DOUGLAS**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Big black blooms, one of the distinctive blacks, or darkest purples, a masterpiece in the dark kinds.

**TIFFANY**..... Each \$1.00 3 for \$2.75  
 Soft yellow placata with brownish violet markings, one of the most attractive of the placata type.

**TIGER TIGER**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
 Standards, beautiful tan, falls as nearly red as any yet introduced. Large splendid blooms well placed

**TREASURE ISLAND**..... Each 50c 3 for \$1.35  
Rich clear yellow, large bloom on tall strong stems, one of the best new yellows, tall, stately in appearance.

**TUSCANY GOLD**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Old gold self of unusual shade, falls slightly darker than standards, and the blooms are of most exquisite shape, fine texture, and on stem of medium height. In the sunlight the petals are like thin leaf gold.

**VENUS DE MILO**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Warm creamy toned white, bright orange beard, one of the best new whites.

**WEDGEWOOD**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
A deep rich Wedgewood blue of exceptional loveliness. The standards are slightly ruffled and beautifully domed.

**WILLIAM MOHR**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Rich lavender and lilac, suffused and penciled soft grey which gives it a most unusual and distinguished soft silvery tone. Deeply ruffled.

**WINNESHIEK**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Deep bluish purple. One of the very best, splendid form, rich color, high class and very showy.

**ZUNI**..... Each 25c 3 for 60c  
Reddish brown and tan, suffused with copper all through, large attractive blooms, has a wonderful fiery glow in the sunlight.



### BIG BARGAINS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE

By taking advantage of these bargain offers you get the benefit of a substantial reduction in price and have a reasonable range of varieties from which to select your order.

Please use the order blank herein provided and write out your order in full, listing each item plainly.



The metal that goes into staples is needed for the war effort so we are therefore sending our folders out loose leaf fashion which we hope will not be any inconvenience to you.



### THE AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY

This splendid society is of the greatest interest to its many members and we heartily recommend it to any who have not yet joined.

The object of the organization is to encourage the growing and propagation of iris and it publishes each year four bulletins which gives much valuable information along these lines.

It has an established scale by which new introductions are rated and appoints judges to rate each new iris according to its merits.

Information regarding the society and the requirements for obtaining membership may be obtained from Mr. Howard R. Watkins, 821 Washington Loan and Trust Building, Washington D. C.

**FLOWER LOVERS ARE HOME LOVERS**

### FIFTEEN DOLLAR BARGAIN

- 1 EL MOHR
- 1 SOUTHERN PACIFIC
- 1 Each of any two of group A.
- 1 Each of any two of group B.
- 1 Each of any two of Group C. \$15.00

### TEN DOLLAR BARGAIN

- 1 SOUTHERN PACIFIC
- 1 Each of any one of group A.
- 1 Each of any one of group B.
- 1 Each of any two of group C.
- 1 Each of any four of group D. \$10.00

### EIGHT DOLLAR BARGAIN

- 1 Each of any two of group A.
- 1 Each of any two of group B.
- 1 Each of any two of group C.
- 1 Each of any six of group D. \$8.00

### SIX DOLLAR BARGAIN

- 1 Each of any one of group A.
- 1 Each of any one of group B.
- 1 Each of any two of group C.
- 1 Each of any six of group D.
- 1 Each of any four of 25c iris \$6.00

### FIVE DOLLAR BARGAIN

- 1 Each of any one of group A.
- 1 Each of any one of group B.
- 1 Each of any one of group C.
- 1 Each of any three of group D.
- 1 Each of any four of 25c iris \$5.00

### FOUR DOLLAR BARGAIN

- 1 Each of any one of group A.
- 1 Each of any one of group B.
- 1 Each of any one of group C.
- 1 Each of any one of group D.
- 1 Each of any three 25c iris \$4.00

### THREE DOLLAR BARGAIN

- 1 Each of any one of group B.
- 1 Each of any one of group C.
- 1 Each of any three of group D.
- 1 Each of any four of 25c iris \$3.00

These groups are arranged for your convenience in making up your bargain orders.

Group A	Group B
Arctic	Birchbark
Aztec Copper	China Maid
Grand Canyon	Monadnock
Great Lakes	Ormohr
Icy Blue	Tiffany

#### Group C

Miss California	Seadeep
Mohrson	Siegfried
Treasure Island	Sandalwood

#### Group D

Amitola	Junaluska
Copper Lustre	Kalinga
Gloriole	Lady Paramount
Golden Hind	Mountain Sunset
Happy Days	Persia
Itasca	Red Dominion

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